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:KNEE PROSTHESIS WITH A ROTATIONAL PLATE

CLAIM OF PRIORITY

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Sir:

Applicant hereby claims the right of priority granted pursuant to 35 U.S.C. 119 based upon French Application No. 97 12042, filed September 23, 1997. As required by 37 C.F.R. 1.55, a certified copy of the French application has been filed in parent Application No. 09/158,791, filed September 23, 1998.

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